

May 5, 1942.

Essex County Draft Board #13,
61 N. Munn Ave.,
East Orange, N. J.

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that an employee of my Baseball Club for the past five years, Mr. Leonard Pearson, 100 Hill St., Orange, N. J. is contemplating leaving my employ, after having signed his contract to play ball with the Team this season, and after having been advanced seventy five dollars on his salary, and after having spent five weeks in training camp with the Ball Club, to go play ball in Mexico for Dr. A. A. Cantu, Tamfrico, Mexico.

I am sure it will be necessary for him to secure your permission before he would be able to leave this Country. I am writing to ask you, do you not feel that he should respect the terms of the contract he signed, which was to play with the Eagles from May 3rd to Sept. 15, 1942 at a salary of \$175.00 per month.

When he first came into our employ he was about 17 years old and had no professional experience or training. We feel our investment has made it possible for him to have developed into a good baseball player, and we should be given some consideration. I feel too, that American citizens are not being granted permission at this time to leave the Country, unless there is some good reason for doing so. For this reason I am writing to tell you that Mr. Pearson did have employment, and had willingly signed his contract.

I will greatly appreciate a reply from you, so I will know just where he is located at present.

Very truly yours,

EM:CCJ